

Maine Community Development Block Grant Program Environmental Review

Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds

Date: _____
Grantee: _____
Address: _____
Telephone _____

On or about _____, the Town/City of _____ will submit a request to the Department of Economic and Community Development (OCD) for the release of CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the project described as:

Total estimated funding is:

The activities proposed: are categorically excluded under the HUD regulations at 24CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. **OR** comprise a project for which a Finding of No Significant Impact on the Environment was published on _____.

An Environmental Review record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at:

Grantee: _____
Address: _____
Telephone _____

The ERR may be examined or copied weekdays from _____ a.m. to _____ p.m..

Public Comments

Any individual, group, or agency, disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project, may submit written comments on the ERR to the Town/City of _____ at:

All comments received by _____ will be considered by the Town/City of _____ prior to submission of a request for release of funds.

Release of Grant Funds

The Town/City of _____ certifies to DECD that (Chief Executive Officer) _____ in his/her official capacity consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. DECD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and allows the Town/City of _____ to use Program funds.

Objections to Release of Funds

DECD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Town/City's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following bases: **(a)** the certification was not executed by the Chief Executive Officer of the Town/City of _____; **(b)** the ERR indicates omission of a required step, decision or finding; **(c)** the grant recipient has incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DECD; or **(d)** another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be address to DECD at 59 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0059. Potential objectors should contact DECD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Chief Executive Officer

Address